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TEXT : THE GOVERNMENT OF ARGENTINA HAS MADE A FORMAL REQUEST TO THE GOVERNMENT OF
URUGUAY (GOU) FOR CLARIFICATION OF THE SITUATION OF FIVE URUGUAYAN SUBVERSIVES PRESENTLY SERVING PRISON SENTENCES IN URUGUAY. THE REQUEST WAS MADE BY ARGENTINE AMBASSADOR TO URUGUAY, CARLOS HUMBERTO ((PERETTE))
WHO EXPRESSED INTEREST IN HAVING THE INDIVIDUALS TURNED OVER TO ARGENTINE AUTHORITIES. THOSE BEING SOUGHT BY ARGENTINA INCLUDE MAURICIO CRUZ ((RUIZ)) DIAZ WHO WAS ARRESTED IN 1972 IN URUGUAY FOR SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES AND WHO IN 1984 HAD HIS PRISON SENTENCE EXTENDED FOR EIGHT ADDITIONAL YEARS. ANOTHER, DANIEL LUIS ((SALICO)) SANDOVAL, WHOSE CASE WAS RECENTLY REVIEWED IN 1983, IS STILL SERVING A PRISON SENTENCE FOR TERRORIST ACTIVITIES. A THIRD IS RAUL ALEJANDRO ((PITTALUGO)) ORTIZ WHO IS SERVING AN EIGHT-YEAR SENTENCE FOR SUBVERSION. THE IDENTITY OF THE OTHER TWO INDIVIDUALS WAS NOT GIVEN. THE URUGUAYAN FOREIGN MINISTRY IS PRESENTLY PREPARING A RESPONSE TO THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT, AND FOREIGN MINISTER CARLOS ((MAESO)) RECENTLY REMARKED THAT HE WILL RECOMMEND THAT THE GOU NOT RELEASE THE SUBVERSIVES TO ARGENTINA DUE TO THE FACT THAT ALL WERE CHARGED WITH CRIMES OF A SERIOUS AND VIOLENT NATURE. (COMMENT: 3.3(b)(1)
IT IS SUSPECTED THAT THE FIVE INDIVIDUALS ARE WANTED BY ARGENTINE AUTHORITIES FOR TERRORIST ACTIVITIES COMMITTED IN ARGENTINA. IT CANNOT BE RULED OUT, HOWEVER, THAT ARGENTINA WAS REQUESTING THEIR TRANSFER AS A HUMANITARIAN GESTURE AND PLANNED TO FREE THEM ONCE THEY REACHED ARGENTINE TERRITORY).

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